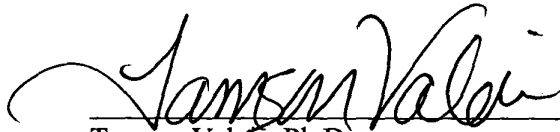


REMARKS

The entry and allowance of Claims 119-131 are respectfully solicited. The requisite filing fee for this application is enclosed herewith. No additional fees are believed to be due for the submission of this preliminary amendment. However, should there be any additional fees required. The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 10-0447, reference 60710-00002USC1(Valoir).

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